HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH of CORN HILL







Bishop Joe Vásquez Diocese of Austin

Second Sunday of Lent March 8, A.D. 2020

Mass Schedule & Intentions

| Saturday | March 7 | 5:00 PM | Pro Populo |
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| Sunday | March 8 | 8:30 AM | †Richard Danek Larry Janousek, Jr (for healing) |
| | | 10:30 AM | Roxane & Dustin Templin (10 th Wedding Anniversary) Jax and Jensyn Templin |
| Tuesday | March 10 | NO MASS | |
| Wednesday | March 11 | 7:00 AM | Marshall, Brielle & Connor †Rosie Vrana |
| Thursday | March 12 | 7:00 AM | †Clarence Domel †Emil Sherek |
| Friday | March 13 | 6:00 PM | †Herman Willberg †Bessie Brenek |
| Saturday | March14 | 7:30 AM | †Jerry David †LeRoy Tschoerner |
| Saturday | March 14 | 5:00 PM | †Norma Klaus †Julie Emge |
| Sunday | March 15 | 8:30 AM | Pro Populo |
| | | 10:30 AM | Chad & Chaney Allen (8th Wedding Anniversary) †Francisca Luna |

Altar Flowers

No flowers needed during the Season of Lent
To donate altar flowers in memory or honor of loved ones, complete and return an 'Altar Flower Envelope' (from the bulletin table or from our website).

Last Week's Collection(s)

March 1: Weekly Collection: \$5,189.05 Online Donations: \$ 475.65

Rosary for Life

March 8 – 14: Chris & Sora Garlasco March 15 – 21: Louis & Louise Straka

Vocations Crucifix Prayer Campaign

March 8 – 14: Louis & Agnes Brousseau family
March 15 – 21: Louise Havelka

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Every Thursday in the church from 3:00 – 9:00 p.m.



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Website: www.holytrinityofcornhill.org **Hours:** Tuesday – Friday, 9 am – 3 pm

Administrative Assistant: Jennifer Klepac 512-863-3020 Bulletin Announcement Deadline: Tuesdays @ 3:00 pm

Weekend Masses: Saturday @ 5:00 pm

Sunday @ 8:30 am & 10:30 am

Reconciliation: Sat: 3:45–4:40 pm; Sun: 7:30–8:10 am;

& Wed: 5:30-6:10 pm (or by appt.)

Parish Contacts & Resources

Director of Faith Formation: Lucille D'Elia 737-215-1042
Financial Bookkeeper: Steffani Jacobs 512-863-3020
Parish Activity Center (PAC) Rentals: Parish Office
Cemetery Information: Parish Office
Cemetery Director: Johnny Martinka 512-966-4301

Cemetery Maintenance: (Position Vacant)

Music Ministry / Choir: Ronnie Simek 512-630-5074

Finance Council: Tommy Sladecek 512-635-3496

Pastoral Council: Stephanie Wright 512-868-8514

Pro-Life Prayer Group: Chris Garlasco 860-689-3021

Men's Prayer Group: Pete Zenner 512-863-4038

Knights of Columbus: Josh Jacobs 612-212-9624

Conf. of Christian Mothers: Lucille Nemec 254-527-3615
K.J.T. Society #55: John Danek 512-819-4362
K.J.Z.T. Society #15: Dorothy Klepac 512-746-2902
Catholic Life Insurance #50: Tommy Sladecek 512-635-3496

CEF Enrollments: Janine Nemec 512-289-9242

Marriage Preparation: Contact the priest before setting a wedding date and at least 9-12 months before the desired date.

Baptisms: Classes are scheduled based on need. Contact

Lucille D'Elia for questions and requirements (737-215-1042)

Mass Ministry Reminders

<u>Stations of the Cross: Wednesday, March 11, 6:30 PM:</u>
Altar Servers: William Brousseau, William F, Isabella H

Saturday, March 14, 5:00 PM:

Altar Servers: Preston & Heather Snook

Lector: Janine Nemec **EMHC:** Keith Youngpeter

Gift Bearers: Johnny & Bernice Hernandez

Head Usher: Donald Tschoerner

Sunday, March 15, 8:30 AM:

Altar Servers: Joseph, William & Adelaide Brousseau

Lector: Louis Brousseau **EMHC:** Ray Nemec

Gift Bearers: Billy & Belinda Beyer

Head Usher: Matt Mertink

Sunday, March 15, 10:30 AM:

Altar Servers: Jakob Voigt, Samuel W, Isabella H

Lector: Kelly Godfrey
EMHC: Monica Sherek
Gift Bearers: Voigt family
Head Usher: Jeff Voigt

EMHC to Shut-ins: March 15: D&G Blakeslee

NEEDED: MASS MINISTERS AND MONEY COUNTERS! Please call parish office for details.

In order to help keep us healthy, the diocese has asked that, during the flu season, we implement the following:

- 1. Remove holy water from all fonts
- 2. Receive Holy Communion only in the hand
- 3. Discontinue offering the Blood of Christ
- 4. Discontinue the Sign of Peace

The Confraternity of Christian Mothers expresses its thanks to all who attended their Lenten Fish Fry. We apologize to those who came and did not get to eat due to the unexpected level of attendance! Net proceeds from your support was \$1776.62. We would also like to thank the anonymous donor that gave so generously for the cost of the fish!

We are in need of 2 Money Counters! Duties include counting the weekly collection, once a month on a set weekend, and occasionally for special collections when needed. We currently need a counter for the 1st Sunday and a counter for the 4th Sunday. You must be EIM Certified, which is an easy process, so please don't let it discourage you. For more information and/or to volunteer, please contact the parish office.

During the Lenten season, help to support missionary efforts in and outside of the Diocese of Austin by participating in the **Ashes to Easter** program. Pick up a box from the bulletin tables and place it in a prominent place in your home where you will remember to pray daily for the missions and drop in your spare change. You will then return your boxes at Easter. Thank you, in advance, for your participation and generosity.

RCIA: Class this Tuesday, March 10, at 7:00 p.m. in the RE Bldg. Discussion: Prayer & the Holy Spirit in our lives. For information, contact Lucille D'Elia.

CCE: Due to the various school district schedules for Spring Break, we will not have classes on the Wednesdays of March 11 or 18. Families are encouraged to attend Stations of the Cross together on these nights. Classes will resume on Wednesday, March 25. For information about our program, please contact Lucille D'Elia (737-215-1042).

Join us this Wednesday evening at 6:30 p.m. for **Stations of the Cross** to reflect on the suffering and death of our Lord, Jesus Christ, on the Cross.

Pro-Life Adoration: this Thursday, March 12, from 3:00 – 9:00 p.m. Take time, during this Lenten season, to spend more time in prayer with the Lord, present in the Holy Eucharist. **NOTE:** due to our upcoming St. Joseph's Altar celebration, our time of Adoration on Thursday, March 19, will be from 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. only.

The **Pastoral Council will meet** this Thursday, March 12, at 7:00 p.m. in the RE Bldg. All parishioners are invited, and the agenda is posted on the bulletin board for your information and preparation.

In observance of St. Joseph's feast day, the Confraternity of Christian Mothers will host a **St. Joseph's Altar**, to which all are invited, on Thursday, March 19, in the PAC Bldg, immediately after the 6:00 p.m. Mass. The altar is a reflection of a deep devotion to St. Joseph, the patron saint of those in need. Fr. Stephen will bless the altar and then all participants can partake of the meatless foods on the altar. In keeping with the tradition of a St. Joseph's Altar, a basket will be available for donations to be given to the Caring Place in Georgetown.

In preparation for the feast of St. Joseph, please pray, from March 11-19, this Novena Prayer to St. Joseph:

- O Glorious St. Joseph, faithful follower of Jesus Christ, to you do we raise our hearts and hands to implore your powerful intercession in obtaining, from the Merciful Heart of Jesus, all the helps and graces necessary for our spiritual and temporal welfare, particularly the grace of a happy death, and the special favors we now implore...(add your intentions here).
- O Chaste Guardian of Jesus Christ, The Word Incarnate, we have great confidence that your prayers on our behalf will be graciously heard before the throne of God.
 - V. Glorious St. Joseph, through the love you bore toward Jesus Christ and for the glory of His name,
 - R. Hear our prayers and obtain our petitions.
- O glorious St. Joseph, Spouse of the Immaculate Virgin Mary, help us to be pure, humble and charitable in body, mind and soul, and to have perfect resignation to the Divine Will. Be our guide, our father and our model through life, that we may merit to die in the arms of Jesus and Mary as you did. *St. Joseph, friend of the Sacred Heart, pray for us!*



If you would like to help decorate the church for the Easter season with Easter Lilies & Flowers, in memory or honor of loved ones, you may do so by completing and returning an **Easter Flower Envelope** (located by the bulletins). Please print all names clearly! Envelopes should be turned in by Sunday, April 5, as the memorials will be listed in the Easter bulletin.

All men are invited for an ACTS retreat, at the Jarrell Cursillo Retreat Center, April 23-26. The Retreat's goals are to allow an opportunity for men to focus on their faith and its application in their daily lives, to build purpose in their prayer life, to increase their presence at the liturgy, and to cultivate friendship among members of the church community. Round trip transportation is available and financial difficulties should not prevent anyone from attending. For more information call: Sam Ramirez: 512-869-9578 or Alex Ramirez: 512-966-5538.

During the Season of Lent, it is important that we reconcile ourselves with one another and with God!

Please take the time for you and your family to go to Confession ... that your hearts, souls and minds will be ready for the Sacrifice and Resurrection of our Lord. The following are several opportunities for Confession in our area:

St. Mary, Taylor: Mon, March 23, 7 PM; St. John Vianney, RR: Tues, March 24, 7 PM;

St. Elizabeth, Pflugerville: Wed, March 25, 7 PM; Our Lady of Guadalupe, Taylor: Thurs, March 26, 7 PM;

Holy Trinity, Corn Hill: Sun, March 29, 5 PM; St. Patrick, Hutto: Tues, March 31, 6 PM; St. William, RR: Wed, April 1, 7 PM;

St. Helen, Georgetown: Thurs, April 2, 7 PM; St. William, RR: Mon, April 6, 1 – 6 PM

Dear friends in Christ,

Peace be with you. This week or next week, depending on which school your children attend, is Spring Break. However, we should never take a break from God and from fulfilling our obligations as a Christian people. Please join us with your family for **Stations of the Cross** on Wednesday evening at 6:30 pm. Let us keep our faith and our commitment to our Lord as our number one priority in life.

During the season of Lent, we are invited to "let go" of things that hinder our relationship with God and with one another. But, even though we may know what we are to "let go" of, we seem to be unable or unwilling to "let go". We cling to many things and, as long as we cling to these things, we are unable to cling to God. Oftentimes our past hinders our future. It has become an obstacle to us, preventing us from moving forward in our life of faith and in our relationship to God and to one another. We hold resentment and anger deep within us. The time has come for us to "let go" of this if we really want to live in the freedom of God's kingdom. I invite you to pray about what it is you are holding on to that is bringing unnecessary misery and pain, that which keeps you from living a life of joy. Ask the Lord to help free you from whatever it may be so that you can drop it from your hands and fully embrace the love of God.

In today's bulletin is the schedule for the **Penance Services** in the parishes in our deanery. Please plan on making a good confession and receive the love and forgiveness of God in this Lenten season.

In today's readings, God calls Abram (Abraham) to leave the land of his upbringing and to go to a new land where he will be blessed and made into a great nation. In faith, Abraham does as the Lord asks of him, not knowing where the Lord will take him and his family. Abraham had great trust in God. Can you imagine doing something like this, leaving everything behind to go and do what God is asking of you? In today's Gospel, Jesus asks the same thing of Peter, James and John. He invites them to go with Him up the mountain to pray. They do as Jesus asks of them and, after a long and tiring journey up the mountain, they experience the glory and grandeur of God as Moses and Elijah appear before them and speak to Jesus. In our own life of faith, we may not know exactly where God is taking us. The road of life may be long and difficult. We may find it very exhausting to the point where we think we are not able to continue. But, by faith, we know that if we continue to do what God asks of us and we continue to walk with Him by leading a life of faithfulness, then we will see His glory and grandeur at the end of life's journey. Pray that you will have enough trust and faith in our Lord to be able to follow Him through all the ups and downs of this life so that you may be with Him forever in the life which is yet to come.

Jesus wants us to experience His presence and His love in a very unique and personal way. All we have to do is to make ourselves available to Him so that this may happen. We make ourselves available by spending time in prayer with Him, by attending Mass, by going to confession, and by participating in various devotions such as the Stations of the Cross. If we do not do these things, if we do not accept His invitation and go to the mountain top with Him, then we will never experience what He has for us. Try to be faithful to your prayer life, to attending Mass every week, and attending weekday Masses when possible, to making a good confession and by attending the **Stations of the Cross**. Spend time with our Lord, both alone and in unity with one another, and you will have a unique experience of His love for you. Come to the **Stations of the Cross** every week during this season of Lent and do all you can to help yourself to grow in the love and life of Jesus. God has given us so much and continues to give us all we need, and more, so that we may live a life of love and joy. Open yourself to what God is giving to you. Don't close the door in His face. May this season of Lent be all that it is meant to be for you and your family.

K ZAMYŠLENÍ: Jakkoli se postní doba může zdát časem bez okras a slávy, dnešní evangelium odkazuje na nesmírně silný až slavnostní zážitek apoštolů. Ježíš jim zjevil svoji slávu, dokonce zaslechnou hlas samotného Otce. Tato událost je však má připravit na blížící se ukřižování Pána. Nešlo o nic menšího, než povzbudit jejich víru, která bude procházet zkouškou. Nešlo jen o zajímavé zpestření všedního života. Ježíš nepřišel, aby své učedníky pobavil, ale aby je zachránil. V Kristu jde o všechno!

Segundo Domingo de Cuaresma: Esta semana nos trasladamos de la tentación en el desierto a la transfiguración y Gloria. Anteriormente, en nuestro viaje de Cuaresma se nos dio una señal de la resurrección. Pero primero debemos reconocer la verdad de San Pablo – que todos estamos llamados a cargar nuestra parte de dificultad del Evangelio. Tal vez la montaña que debemos escalar con Cristo es la de compartir nuestro tiempo y a nosotros mismos con otros. Tal vez estamos llamados a una mayor simplicidad de vida y a compartir generosamente nuestras posesiones materiales. Cada uno de nosotros está llamado a morir para nosotros mismos para vivir por Cristo ¿Qué muerte debemos morir para compartir la gloria de Dios?

May God's blessings be upon you all in this holy Lenten Season.

Fr. Stephen Nesrsta, farář

Holy Trinity Catholic Church Master Plan Recommendations and Implementation For Years 2020 through 2035

Dear Parishioners.

In January of this year, we had shared with all of you, at a Parish Meeting, the Master Plan for our parish for the next 15 to 20 years. After much research, gathering of data, parishioner input, and meetings, RBDR Architects of Waco has put together this Master Plan. The Long-Range Planning Committee of our parish worked with RBDR to put this plan together. The plan is a 4 Phase plan with a 5th phase for future growth. I am happy to report that, after presenting this plan at the meeting in January, and after presenting it to the Diocese of Austin for input, we have now received permission from the Diocese of Austin to implement Phases 1 and 2. The Long-Range Planning Committee met with RBDR Architects on March 3 to begin its implementation. Below is the scope of work for Phases 1 and 2 with probable cost.

PHASE 1: Addresses life safety issues across our parish campus. Updates will be made to the PAC, RE Building and the Church. A new main entrance stair will be constructed at the front of the church.

Changes in the PAC include posting maximum occupancies in the gym and Holy Family Room, adding a smoke detection and fire alarm system, video security system, installing required exit signs and emergency lighting and making the required entrances ADA accessible.

Changes in the RE Building include posting maximum occupancy in the large meeting room, adding smoke detection system and fire alarm system, and installing exit signs and emergency lighting.

Changes in the Church include adding a smoke detection system and fire alarm system, a video security system, and installing appropriate exit doors. The front of the Church is also addressed in this phase with the construction of new main entrance stairs. The exterior stairs will be expanded using a similar historical language to provide safer landings and appropriate handrails.

Estimated probable cost: \$138,000

PHASE 2: Includes facility updates to the church bldg, as well as changes on the north side of the church bldg. In the church, the existing restrooms will be removed to make space for a new confessional. The existing cry room/confessional becomes a dedicated cry room with appropriate furnishings. An addition off the north side of the church includes an entrance connecting to a new, multi-fixture, accessible restrooms and a new porte-cochere. It also includes a 540 sq. ft. choir rehearsal space that includes dedicated choir and church storage.

The site around the church addition includes a new drive under the porte-cochere, a widened through-street on the north side, new sidewalks, and 17 new parking spots. The new parking provides convenient access to the church, RE Building, and future administration building.

Estimated probable cost: \$741,500

You will be able to view drawings of the above phases when they become available to us from RBDR. Much planning and prayer has been put into this plan and we believe it is one that is reasonable for Holy Trinity Parish, especially with the projected growth of our parish over the next 10 to 15 years.

We have about 60% of the money needed to complete these two phases and will have to borrow money for the remaining portion. We believe that, through the generosity of all the parishioners of our parish, we will be able to pay off the loan within a reasonable amount of time. Beginning in January 2021, we will discontinue the Faith Formation Collection each month and change it to a Building Fund Collection. I would ask each of you to consider and pray about the amount you will be able to contribute monthly to this project. We really need the contribution of all able parishioners in order for this to be a successful project.

PHASE 3: New Administration Building - 2026

PHASE 4: Renovation of the Religious Education Building - 2030

PHASE 5+: Pavilion and any other projects that may be required by that time. - 2035+

Please remember that these dates and projects are flexible and subject to change according to need that the years may bring us. When everyone works together and contributes accordingly, all will be successful. Let us pray that whatever we do will be according to the will of God and for the building of His Kingdom here in Corn Hill. Thank you and may God's blessings be with each of you.

Fr. Stephen Nesrsta